

CHAPTER 28.

Passed Feb. 10, 1864. AN ACT for the incorporation of Daniel and Jacob Lodge, number twenty-three, of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows.

Lodge incorporated. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That John C. Price, Henry Motter, David T. Shafer, J. Alfred Kopp, William L. Krantz, John Carl, Levi S. Winterode, Admund A. Gonter, Henry Falkenstine, Edward T. Krantz, Jacob L. Motter, Henry E. Betty, George Shower and the officers and members of Daniel and Jacob Lodge, number twenty-three, of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows, and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be a community, corporation and body politic by the name and style and title of Daniel and Jacob Lodge, number twenty-three, of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows, and by that name they and their successors shall and may at all times hereafter be capable in law to have, receive and retain to them and their successors, property real and personal; also, devises or bequests of any person or persons, bodies corporate or politic, capable of making the same, and the same at their pleasure to transfer or dispose of in such manner as they may think proper, *provided, always,* that the said corporation or body politic shall not any time hold or possess property, real, personal or mixed, exceeding ~~in~~ annual value the sum of five thousand dollars.

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Powers granted. Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation and their successors, by the name and title aforesaid, shall be thereafter capable, in law and equity, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended in all or any courts of justice, and before all or any judges, officers or persons whatsoever in all and singular actions, matters or demands whatsoever.

To have a common seal. Sec. 3. *And be it enacted,* That it shall and may be lawful for the said corporation to have a common seal for their use, and the same at their will and pleasure to change, alter and make anew from time to time, as they may think best, and shall